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For: METHOD AND PRODUCTS TO ABSORB OIL AND ORGANIC SOLVENTS  
FROM WATER AND FROM SEA

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully  
submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**CLAIM 5:** Line 1, change "claims 3 and 4" to --claim 3--

**\*\*\* R E M A R K S \*\*\***

The amendment to the claims merely deletes the undesired multiple  
dependencies and places the application in better form prior to  
examination.